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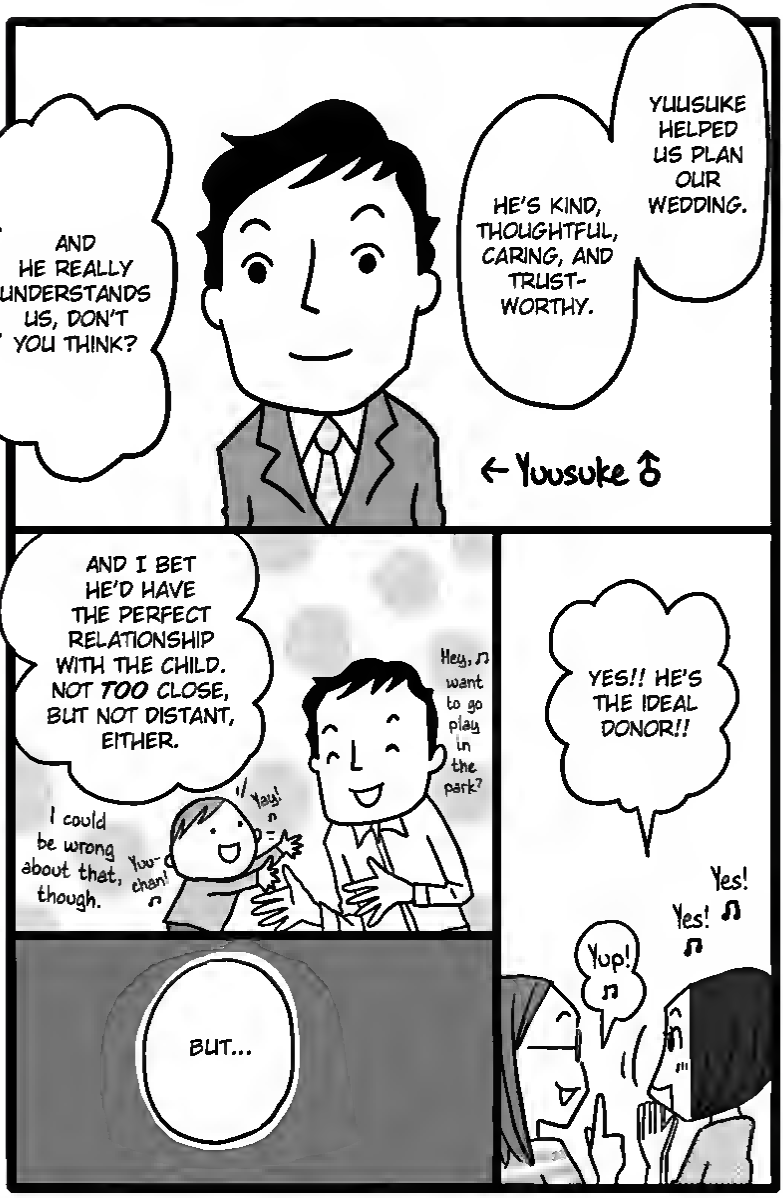
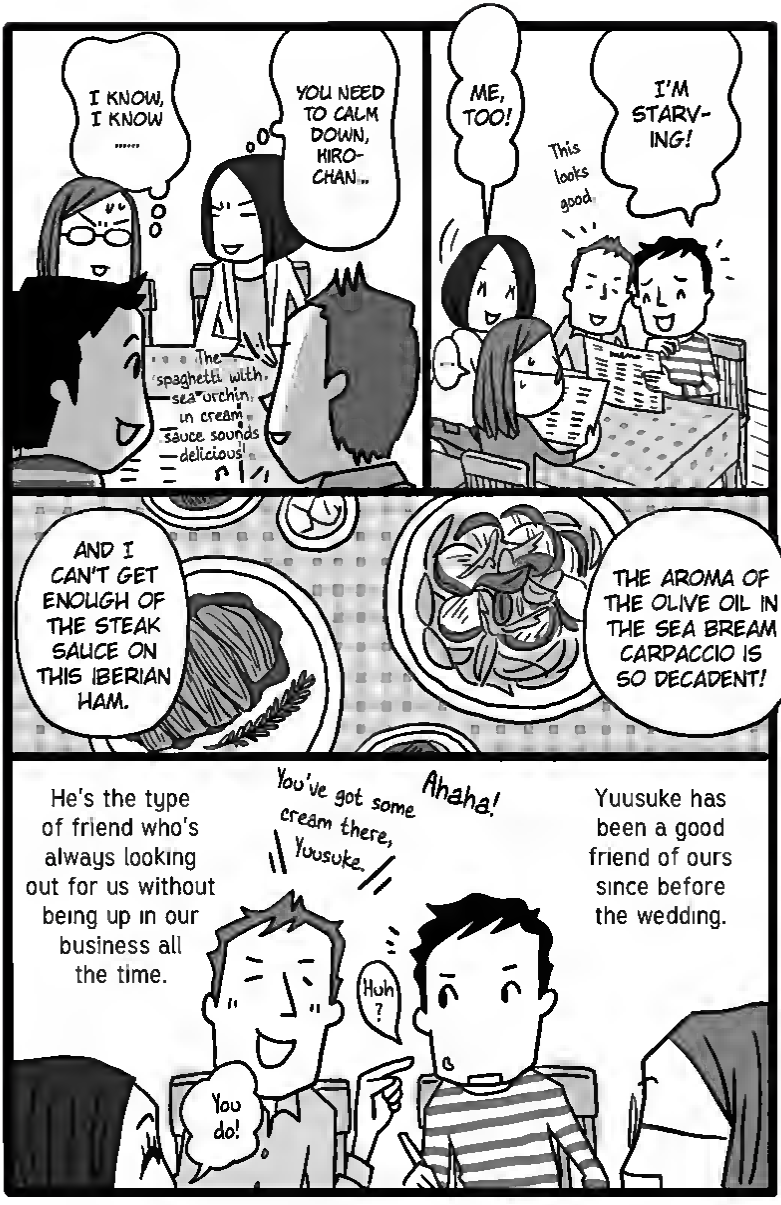
Chapter 6 Men's Feelings Are Complicated Too

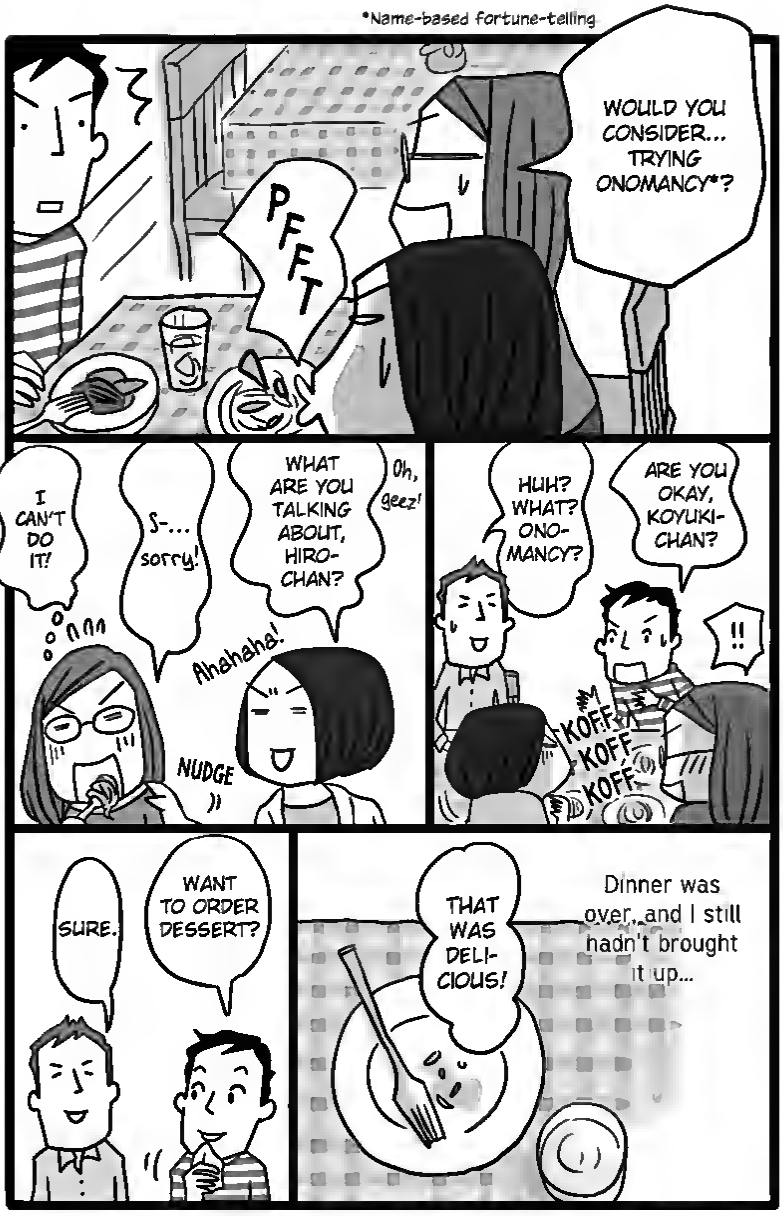

YUUSUKE HELPED US PLAN OUR WEDDING.
HE'S KIND, THOUGHTFUL, CARING, AND TRUST-WORTHY.
AND HE REALLY UNDERSTANDS US, DON'T YOU THINK?
← Yuusuke ↑
YES!! HE'S THE IDEAL DONOR!!
Yes!
Yes!
Yup!
AND I BET HE'D HAVE THE PERFECT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CHILD. NOT TOO CLOSE, BUT NOT DISTANT, EITHER.
Hey, want to go play in the park?
Yay!
Yuu-chan!
I could be wrong about that, though.
BUT...

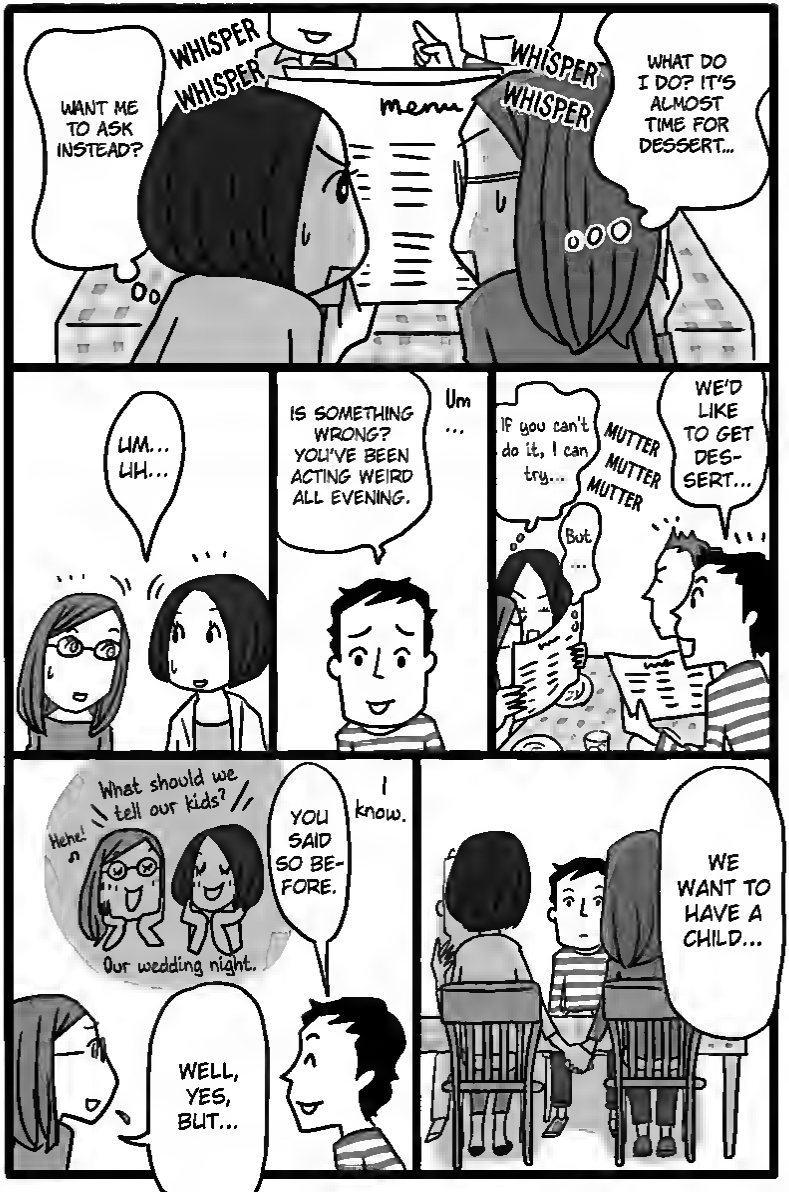
THIS IS MUCH BIGGER THAN ASKING HIM TO HELP WITH A WEDDING...
Yeah...
SINCE HE IS SUCH A RESPONSIBLE PERSON, THIS COULD CAUSE HIM A LOT OF WORRY...
.....
BUT LET'S AT LEAST ASK HIM.
Vibrating with nerves and excitement, we headed off to the restaurant with them.
without mention-ing what we wanted to talk about.
WANT TO GRAB DINNER ?
So, we invited him out...
Feel free to bring your partner!
NICE TO MEET YOU.
THIS IS MY PARTNER, SHIGERU-KUN.
LONG TIME NO SEE!!

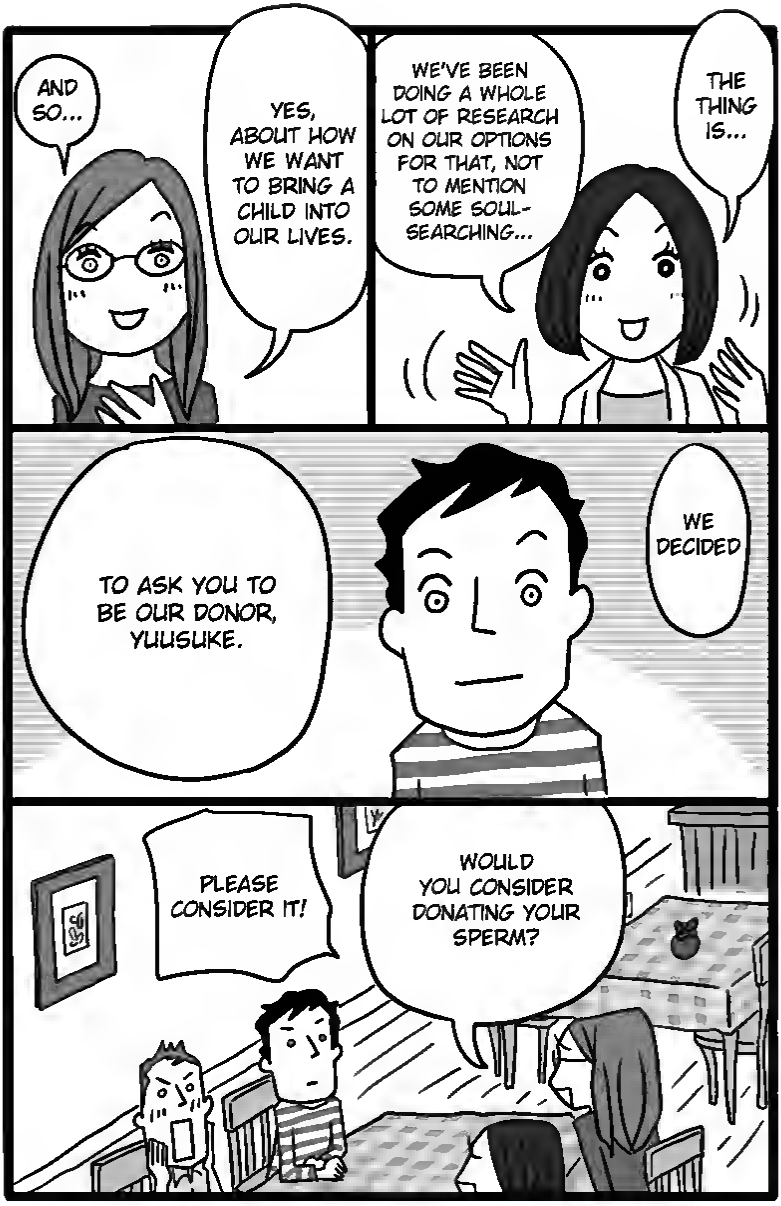

I KNOW, I KNOW .....
YOU NEED TO CALM DOWN, HIRO-CHAN...
The spaghetti with sea urchin in cream sauce sounds delicious!
ME, TOO!
I'M STARV-ING!
This looks good.
AND I CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF THE STEAK SAUCE ON THIS IBERIAN HAM.
THE AROMA OF THE OLIVE OIL IN THE SEA BREAM CARPACCIO IS SO DECADENT!
He's the type of friend who's always looking out for us without being up in our business all the time.
You've got some cream there, Yuusuke.
Ahaha!
Huh?
You do!
Yuusuke has been a good friend of ours since before the wedding.

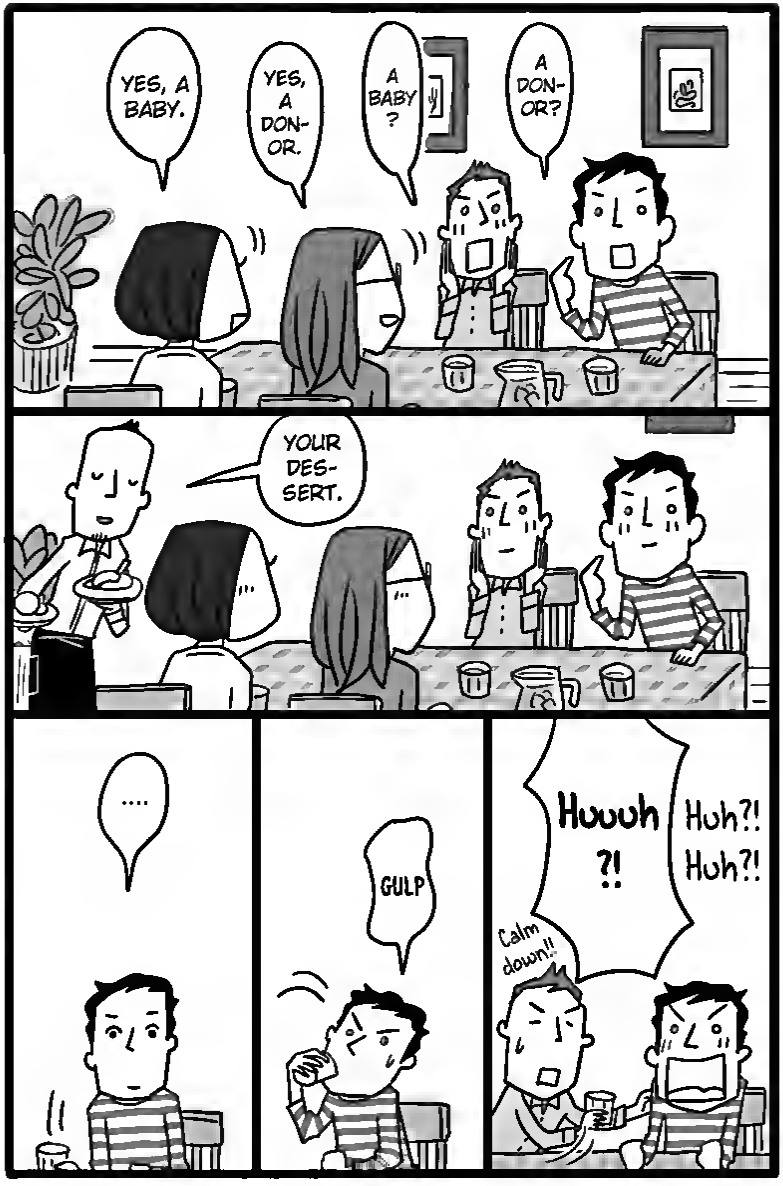
YOU CAN DO IT, HIRO-CHAN!
URK ... URK ...!
THIS IS HARD...
So it can feel like we're always relying on him without giving much in return...
NUDGE
THANKS FOR THE ASSIST !!
WE'VE HAD A LOT ON OUR MINDS LATELY, THOUGH.
Yeah ...
Go on!
Mind giving us some advice?!
IS THIS MY CHANCE?
I SEE THE ROMANCE IS STILL ALIVE AND WELL WITH YOU TWO!
Has it been three years now?
W-... would ... would you...
TWIRL TWIRL TWIRL
UM... WELL ...
...But there *is* no easy way to ask someone to donate his sperm to you, is there?

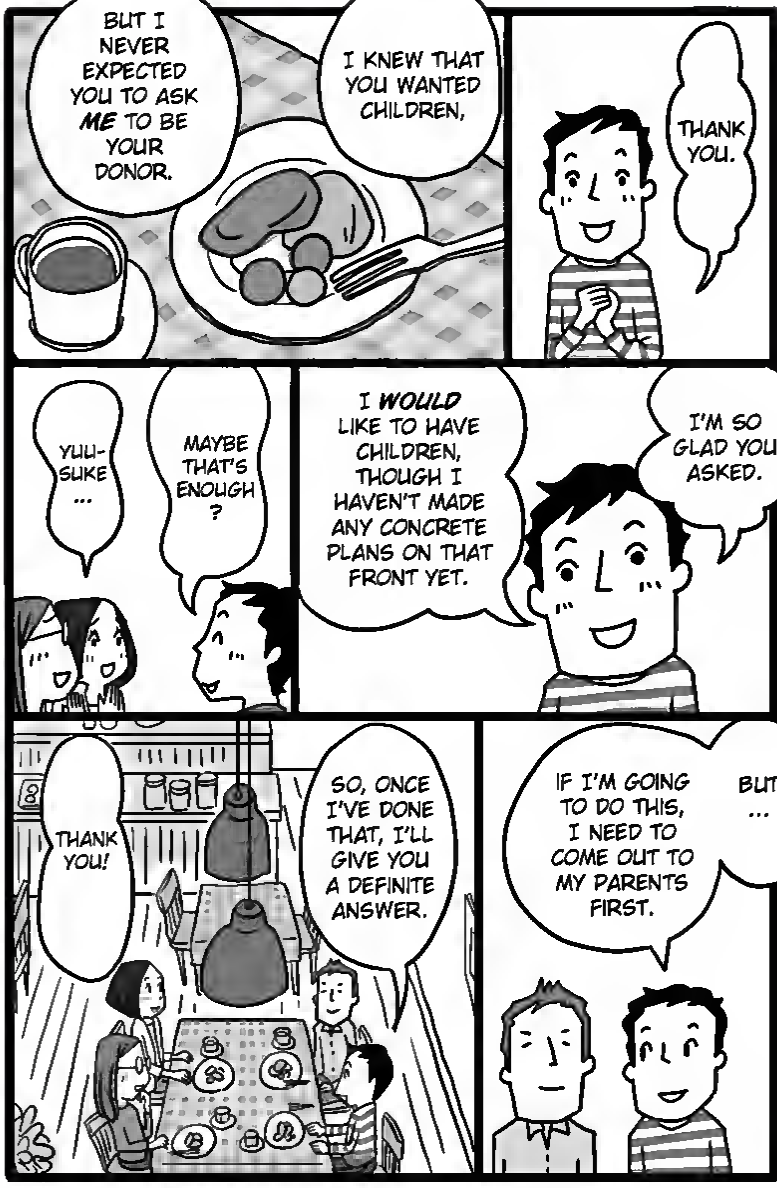
*Name-based fortune-telling

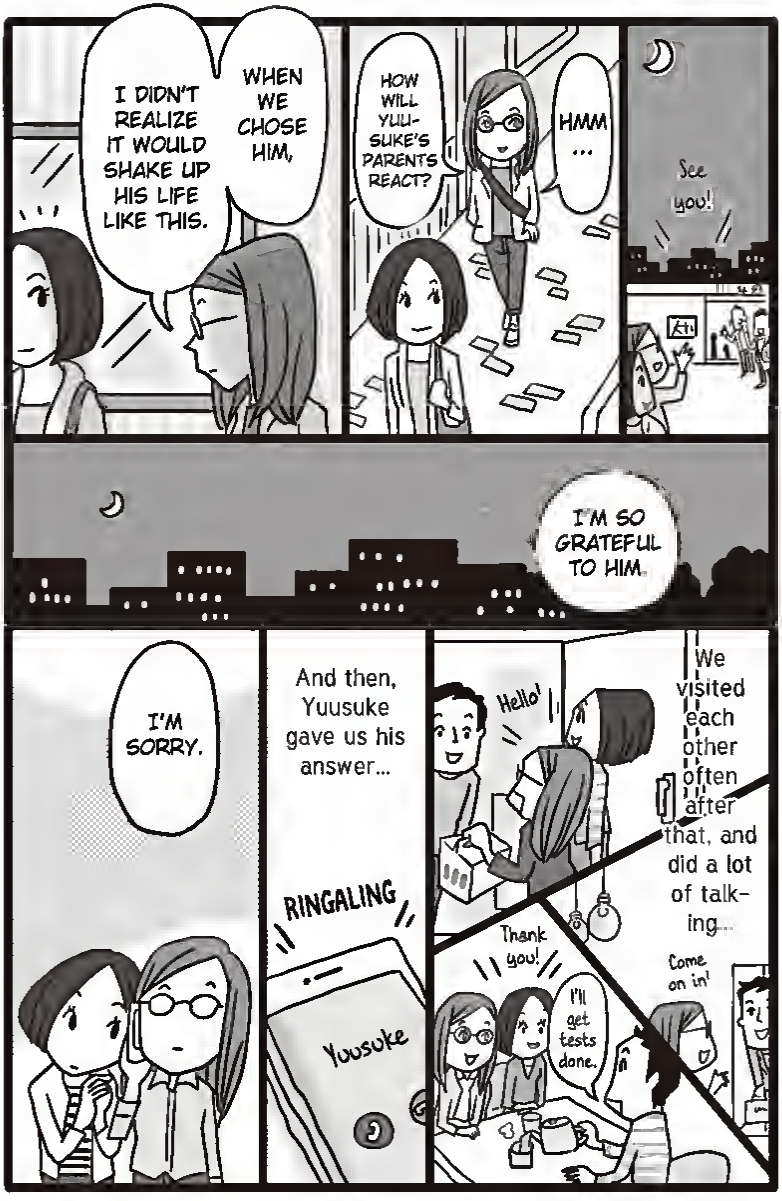


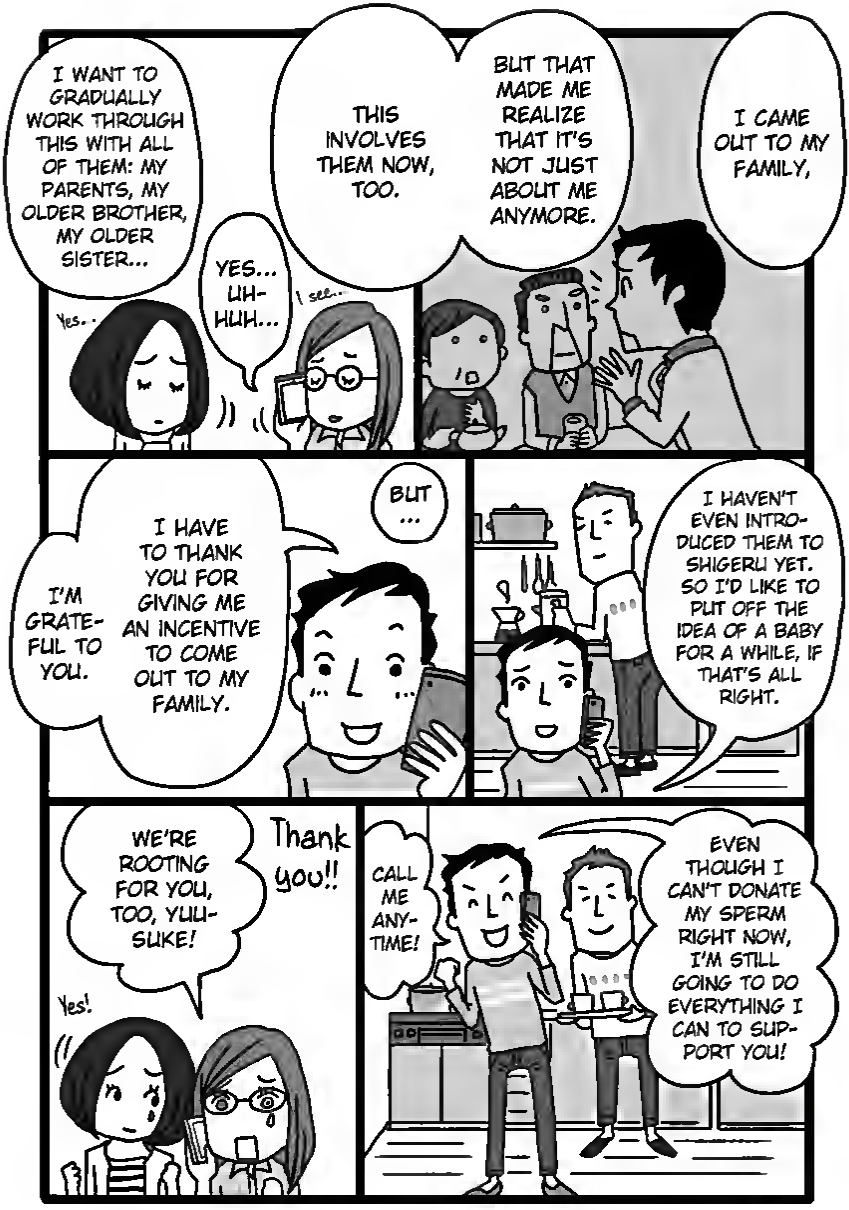

WHISPER WHISPER
menu
WHISPER WHISPER
WANT ME TO ASK INSTEAD?
WHAT DO I DO? IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR DESSERT...
UM... UH...
IS SOMETHING WRONG? YOU'VE BEEN ACTING WEIRD ALL EVENING.
Um ...
If you can't do it, I can try...
MUTTER MUTTER MUTTER
But ...
WE'D LIKE TO GET DESSERT...
What should we tell our kids?
Hehe!
Our wedding night.
YOU SAID SO BEFORE.
I know.
WELL, YES, BUT...
WE WANT TO HAVE A CHILD...

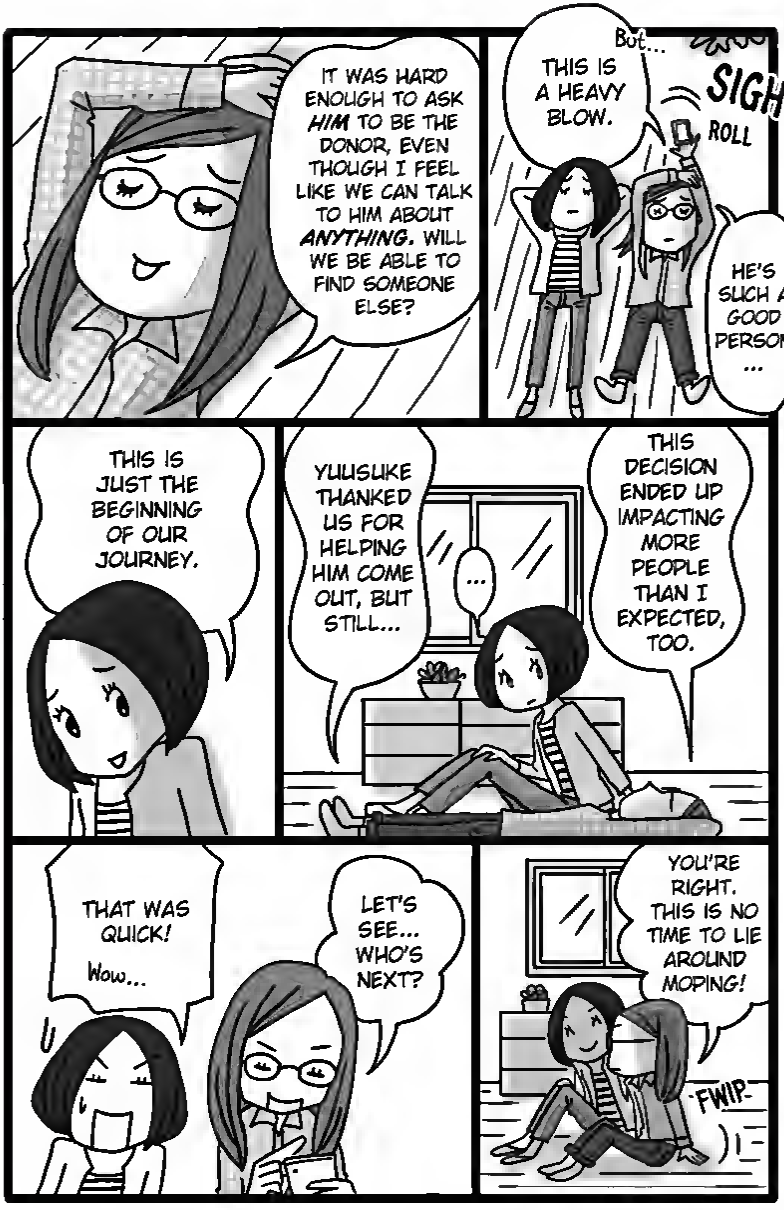

AND SO...
YES, ABOUT HOW WE WANT TO BRING A CHILD INTO OUR LIVES.
WE'VE BEEN DOING A WHOLE LOT OF RESEARCH ON OUR OPTIONS FOR THAT, NOT TO MENTION SOME SOUL-SEARCHING...
THE THING IS...
TO ASK YOU TO BE OUR DONOR, YUUSUKE.
WE DECIDED
PLEASE CONSIDER IT!
WOULD YOU CONSIDER DONATING YOUR SPERM?


YES, A BABY.
YES, A DON-OR.
A BABY ?
A DON-OR?
YOUR DES-SERT.
....
GULP
Huuuh ?!
Huh?! Huh?!
Calm down!!


BUT I NEVER EXPECTED YOU TO ASK ME TO BE YOUR DONOR.
I KNEW THAT YOU WANTED CHILDREN,
THANK YOU.
YUU-SUKE ...
MAYBE THAT'S ENOUGH?
I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE CHILDREN, THOUGH I HAVEN'T MADE ANY CONCRETE PLANS ON THAT FRONT YET.
I'M SO GLAD YOU ASKED.
THANK YOU!
SO, ONCE I'VE DONE THAT, I'LL GIVE YOU A DEFINITE ANSWER.
IF I'M GOING TO DO THIS, I NEED TO COME OUT TO MY PARENTS FIRST.
BUT ...


I DIDN'T REALIZE IT WOULD SHAKE UP HIS LIFE LIKE THIS.
WHEN WE CHOSE HIM,
HOW WILL YUUSUKE'S PARENTS REACT?
HMM...
See you!
I'M SO GRATEFUL TO HIM.
I'M SORRY.
And then, Yuusuke gave us his answer...
RINGALING
Yuusuke
Hello!
We visited each other often after that, and did a lot of talking...
Thank you!
I'll get tests done.
Come on in!


I WANT TO GRADUALLY WORK THROUGH THIS WITH ALL OF THEM: MY PARENTS, MY OLDER BROTHER, MY OLDER SISTER...
Yes...
YES... UH-HUH...
I see...
THIS INVOLVES THEM NOW, TOO.
BUT THAT MADE ME REALIZE THAT IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT ME ANYMORE.
I CAME OUT TO MY FAMILY,
I'M GRATE-FUL TO YOU.
I HAVE TO THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME AN INCENTIVE TO COME OUT TO MY FAMILY.
BUT ...
I HAVEN'T EVEN INTRO-DUCED THEM TO SHIGERU YET. SO I'D LIKE TO PUT OFF THE IDEA OF A BABY FOR A WHILE, IF THAT'S ALL RIGHT.
WE'RE ROOTING FOR YOU, TOO, YUU-SUKE!
Thank you!!
Yes!
CALL ME ANY-TIME!
EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T DONATE MY SPERM RIGHT NOW, I'M STILL GOING TO DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO SUP-PORT YOU!


IT WAS HARD ENOUGH TO ASK *HIM* TO BE THE DONOR, EVEN THOUGH I FEEL LIKE WE CAN TALK TO HIM ABOUT *ANYTHING.* WILL WE BE ABLE TO FIND SOMEONE ELSE?
But...
THIS IS A HEAVY BLOW.
SIGH
ROLL
HE'S SUCH A GOOD PERSON ...
THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING OF OUR JOURNEY.
YUUSUKE THANKED US FOR HELPING HIM COME OUT, BUT STILL...
...
THIS DECISION ENDED UP IMPACTING MORE PEOPLE THAN I EXPECTED, TOO.
THAT WAS QUICK!
Wow...
LET'S SEE... WHO'S NEXT?
YOU'RE RIGHT. THIS IS NO TIME TO LIE AROUND MOPING!
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Chapter 6

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